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WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

Please introduce yourselves. We hope to know and serve you. We hope you become an active part of our Parish Community.

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 6:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM Saturday 8:00 AM

HOLY DAY MASSES:

See inside bulletin for Holy Day Mass schedule

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 8:30-9:15 AM in the lower chapel

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 11:30 AM Please call for information

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arranged at least 6 months in advance

ORGANIST/MUSIC DIRECTOR Bernadette Nadeau

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PARISH "NEWS" DEADLINE

All copy must be submitted in writing no later than Monday noon. (Holiday weeks may require a longer lead time.)

ST. JOHN'S ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

For those that need a little help, please call: 508-435-3313x207



"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For

the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

Readings for **NEXT** Sunday, October 27, 2024: Jer 31:7-9/ Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/ Heb 5:1-6/ Mk 10:46-52

The readings for this weekend's Masses begin on page 253 in the pew missal.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

4:00 PM John McBride

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM Peter Nute

6:30 PM For our confirmation candidates

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00 AM For the conversion of sinners

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00 AM All the Holy Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 AM Special Intention

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

9:00 AM In Thanksgiving for St. Raphael

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:00 AM Erica Richards

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

8:00 AM Frances Hartwell 4:00 PM Mark McNamara

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:00 AM Parishioners of St. John's

10:00 AM Max and David Aaronson (living int.)

6:30 PM Special intention

This Week

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:45 AM Grades 1-6, Grade 2 parent meeting

5:15 PM Grade 10 (and 6:30 PM Mass)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

2:45 PM Grade 6 4:30 PM Grades 1-4

7:00 PM Grade 9 (student & parent meeting)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

4:30 PM Grade 2 and Grade 5

6:30 PM Grades 7 & 8

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:45 AM Grades 1-6

9:00 AM Grade 1 parent meeting

Join Us For Coffee, Donuts and Conversation COFFEE HOUR

St. John's parish family invites you to join us for coffee and conversation in the parish center following the 10AM Mass this Sunday.

2nd collection **THIS** weekend World Mission Sunday

Looking for a Christmas Gift?

LAST CHANCE: Fleece jackets with the St. John's emblem are available to order THIS WEEKEND <u>only</u>. Full-zip jackets are \$50 and half-zip jackets are \$35. They must be paid for when you place your order (check or cash). Place an order after Mass **THIS weekend**.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Friday, November 1, is **All Saints Day**. All Catholics are obliged to attend Mass on November 1 or on the evening of October 31. At St. John's we will have Masses at **4PM on Thursday**, **October 31 and at 9AM and 7PM on Friday**, **November 1**.



<u>Please Remember in Prayer</u>

All confined, all in need of healing...Please pray for all deceased and their families...Our servicemen and women, and their families, and all who suffer in embattled countries.

Divine Mercy Prayer Group

There will be a holy hour of Divine Mercy **every Monday** from 6:30-7:30PM in the lower church. All are welcome.

Holy Hour for the Conversion of Sinners and Prayers for the Dying

There is a holy hour here at St. John's parish for the conversion of sinners and prayers for the dying on Thursdays at 6:30PM in the lower church.

TRAVELING?

FREE ministry to traveling Catholics: You can check out www.masstimes.org from any internet connection to find out the name, location, and Mass schedule of the nearest Catholic church anywhere in America.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows the 9AM Mass in the lower church every Tuesday and Friday, beginning with the Litany to our Blessed Mother. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited at 11:45AM followed by Benediction.

Please feel free to drop in for a visit.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated 8:30-9:15AM in the lower church THIS Saturday, October 26.



WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

If you are new to the Parish, please introduce yourself. We want to know and serve you. We hope you will support your parish with your prayers, your presence and your talents. Please call the Parish Office (435-3313x203) to register.

JOIN ST. JOHN'S CHOIR

Come sing with the choir for Christmas and all the events leading up to it. No experience or prior knowledge is necessary. We are looking for people who love to sing and are willing to lift their voices to the glory of God. We will be learning some traditional choral anthems and hymns of the church. Rehearsals take place in the choir loft on Sundays from 9:05AM to 9:45AM. We would love to have you join us! If you have any questions, please contact Berni Nadeau at moments.com.

Monday Zoom Rosary

Monday evenings at 7PM. This 30 minutes once a week provides a quiet and reflective time. You also pray in the comfort of your home but with a community of faith praying with you. Try it out. All are welcome! Contact Deacon Guy (deaconguy@verizon.net) for more information and Zoom link.

MUSTARD SEED

Thank you for your continued support of the sour people who come to this Catholic Worker Soup Kitchen for a nourishing meal. Please use the boxes on the tables at the rear of the church for your donation. Thank you for your generosity.

St. John the Evangelist Pro-Life Initiative

Forty Days for Life Update from Rita Russo, Campaign Director Boston

"...The halfway mark is Monday [October 16th]! Have you been out to pray with us yet? We miss you. We need you! Our world is at a tipping point. So much is at stake. We are at risk of unrestricted, taxpayer-funded abortion through all 9 months for any reason in our country. Abortion worldwide is somewhere in the region of 73 million a year. You can't even get your head around that number!...National Right to Life released a special report on babies born-alive-after-abortion cases of infanticide committed against babies born alive following an attempted abortion. The excellent report, Checking the Fact-Checkers: "After-Birth" Abortions, Modern Infanticide: Abandoning Babies to Die, was released September 24 at a congressional briefing on the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act...."

For upcoming events and more information about signing up for vigil hours see: www.40daysforlife.com/boston

Holy Hour for Life

THIS Friday, October 25, AT 7PM in the lower chapel

Please join us in prayer for the most vulnerable!



Religious Education Classes

Religious Education Classes will begin after Columbus Day. All grades will begin the week of October 20.

Sunday classes for grades 1-6 will begin on October 20 from 8:45AM-9:45AM;

Monday classes for grade 6 will begin on October 21 from 2:45PM-3:45PM:

Monday classes for grades 1-4 will begin on October 21 from 4:30PM-5:30PM;

Tuesday classes for Grade 2 and Grade 5 will begin on October 22 from 4:30PM-5:30PM;

Grade 2 parent meetings will take place during the first class on opening week;

Grade 10 will begin on Sunday, October 20, with students only from 5:15PM-6:20PM followed by Mass at 6:30PM;

Grade 9 will begin on Monday, October 21, with a parent and student meeting from 7-8PM;

Grades 7 & 8 will begin on Tuesday, October 22, with students only from 6:30PM-7:30PM.

Emails have gone out to parents with lots of information for all grades (Grades 1-10) so please check your emails.

If you signed up to home-school your own child, Grades 1 & 3-8, you may pick up your book on any of the following days/times: Sunday, November 3, 9AM-11:30AM; Monday, November 4, 9:30AM-4PM; Tuesday, November 5, 9:30AM-2PM; Wednesday, November 6, 9:30AM-4 PM

We will send a reminder via email to those that signed up to home-school. Tuition can be paid by going to the parish website and clicking on online giving, scroll down to Events, click on Religious Education. Please note: tuition should be paid upon attending class or picking up home school books. If there is a financial situation, please contact the Religious Education Office at dlysikstjn@verizon.net.

PLEASE NOTE: Parishioners are reminded that parents or caregivers need to accompany small children to the restroom to ensure their safety and hygiene. Their reassuring presence provides support and supervision to address any issues that may arise while the child is alone.

FORMED Subscription

As of November 12, St. John's will no longer have a parish subscription to FORMED. If you would like to sign up for an individual subscription, visit Formed.org.

Did you Know?

St. John's has an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) on site! It is located in the <u>lower Sacristy</u> in the main church on the east wall in a white box. Should a cardiac event occur, the unit will walk you through the steps for use. Do you know where the closest exit is in the event of a fire? Did you know a fire pull box is located in the narthex north-side (left when leaving) and the lower Sacristy next to the AED? Additionally, we have multiple pull boxes and extinguishers in the Parish Center. Take a moment to look around.

Thank you, The staff of St. Johns

CROSS ROADS

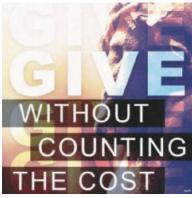
By Deacon Tony

Isaiah 53: 10-11; Psalm 33: 4-5, 18-20, 22; Hebrews 4: 14-16; Mark 10: 35-45

True greatness and glory are grounded in holiness, service, kindness, gentleness, heartfelt love, forgiveness and graciousness. It is radically different from what the world promotes. We know this because it is preached in today's reading from Isaiah. And the suffering servant portrayed in that reading is fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ, who carried the weight of all the sins of humanity: past, present, and future until the end of time, to save and justify humanity. He lived all those attributes. In his passion, through all the physical pain and suffering, he persevered in maintaining those attributes while on the cross toward those who crucified him, and toward us whose guilt he carried for us. He remained just and upright through it all. In today's reading from Hebrews, we are reminded that Christ understands us and our weaknesses, because he was tested in every way, but without sin. His mercy is there for all who are truly repentant.

In today's reading from Mark's gospel, James and John asked that when Jesus came into his glory, that they sit at his right and his left. Pretty bold, I would say. His answer was, "Can you drink from the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized? They answered, "We can." Jesus granted that they would but told them that who would sit at his right and left "is for those for whom it has been prepared." Did James and John understand that it could mean suffering and crucifixion? At least one commentator has written that they did understand. If they did not understand, they should have because the passage right before this scene is where Jesus told the twelve about the passion and death he would suffer, and that he would rise. The other apostles were outraged thinking, correctly or not, that James and John were seeking thrones.

But then Jesus gathered them all together and explained that the greatest and holiest of them would be those who served and sacrificed for others, and that they were not to lord it over people, but to help, serve, and encourage others, the LORD's way, not the way of the world: "...whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all." That message is for us as well. We are to live as Jesus did: sacrificially for others. We are to help each other, serve and encourage each other. As Saint Paul wrote: "Encourage each other daily while it is still today (Hebrews 3:13)."









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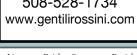


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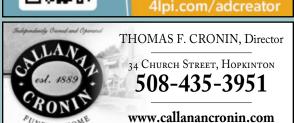
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